

## Student Performance and Achievement (SPA) Board Committee Meeting Minutes for October 2, 2024

Board of Education members present: Anupam Chugh Sidhu and Judy Westra.

District staff present: Dr. Monica Merritt, Superintendent; Beth Rayl, Chief Academic and Innovation Officer; Anthony Ruela, Executive Director of Middle School Education and PreK-12 Student Support Systems; Dr. Denise Lilly, Executive Director of Elementary Schools; Kevin Karr, Executive Director of Curriculum, Instruction, Assessment, and Professional Development; Tanya Mackrain-Skwirsk, K-12 Curriculum Coordinator for Science, Health and Physical Education; and Susan Provenzano, Executive Assistant to the Chief Academic and Innovation Officer; Clayton Burch, P-CCS high school special education supervisor; Rachel Ammar, P-CCS special education teacher consultant; Jacklyn Klotz, P-CCS special education teacher consultant; Amy Remski, P-CCS Speech Language Pathologist; Richard Shafer, P-CCS ASD coach; Melanie Burkett, P-CCS teacher; and Ray Miller, Plymouth High School Assistant Principal.

Citizen representative present: Katie Bennett

Student Voice in Action representative present: Hudson Lloyd

Others present: John Johnston, community member

Committee Chair Anupam Chugh Sidhu called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

- A. Approval of Minutes: The draft minutes from the September 18, 2024, meeting were reviewed and approved.
- B. Public Comments: none
- C. Presentations/Discussions
  - A. **Elementary Program Highlights:** The committee vetted a presentation from Dr. Denise Lilly, Executive Director of Elementary Schools, on Elementary Program Highlights to provide feedback and any recommendations for revisions. The presentation included highlights supporting the P-CCS Dynamic Plan and Learner Profile. The Board of Education presentation will be on October 22, 2024.
  - B. **Middle School Program Highlights:** The committee vetted a presentation from Anthony Ruela, Executive Director of Middle School Education and PreK-12 Student Support Systems, on Middle School Program Highlights to provide feedback and any recommendations for potential revisions. The presentation included highlights supporting the work of the Deans of Student Success in alignment with the P-CCS Dynamic Plan and Learner Profile. The Board of

Education presentation will be on October 8, 2024.

## C. New or Revised Course Proposals:

- 1. New Course Proposal: Sports Officiating Tanya Mackrain-Skwirsk, K-12 Curriculum Coordinator for Science, Health and Physical Education, presented a proposal to offer a new, one semester, high school physical education elective course, Sports Officiating, for the 2025-2026 school year and beyond. This elective course would empower students to serve as a sports official. The implementation cost is \$1235 for sports clocks and referee whistles. The committee approved to move this request to the Board of Education meeting on October 22, 2024, for a first reading.
- 2. New Course Proposal: Peer-To-Peer Connections; Renaming of Human Service Exploration: Foods to Peer to Peer Connections: Foods and Human Service Exploration: Arts to Peer to Peer Connections: Arts Kevin Karr, Executive Director of Curriculum, Instruction, Assessment, and Professional Development, shared a proposal to offer a new, one semester, high school elective course, Peer-To-Peer Connections to be offered Second Semester of the 2024-2025 school year with full implementation in 2025-2026 if approved. The cost is \$0 as the curriculum is provided through Wayne RESA and the Start website. Kevin Karr also proposed renaming two current P-CCS courses to align with the Peer-to-Peer/START Project curriculum. The requests were approved to move to the Board of Education meeting on October 22, 2024, for a first reading.
- 3. Course Name Change and Credit Revisions Request: Personal Finance Kevin Karr, Executive Director of Curriculum, Instruction, Assessment, and Professional Development, presented a proposal to integrate the personal finance standards into two existing courses to meet the new Michigan Department of Education requirements. Michigan's new high school personal finance credit requirement will be integrated into existing courses "Political & Economic System Economics" and "AP Macroeconomics." Both courses will be offered for one semester, but the credit earned for each course will increase from 0.5 to 1.0. No increased costs would be incurred. The committee approved moving this request to the Board of Education meeting on October 22, 2024, for a first reading.
- **D. Out-of-Contiguous United States Field Trip:** The committee reviewed one out-of-contiguous United States field trip and approved it to move to the full Board of Education at the October 8, 2024, meeting for final approval.

Committee Chair Anupam Chugh Sidhu called for an adjournment at 6:20 p.m., and the meeting adjourned at that time.